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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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**BOX: PCT** 

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 32-34 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 3. (Amended) The method of [claims 1 or] <u>claim</u> 2, wherein said CDK is CDC2a.
- 4. (Amended) The method of [any one of] claims 1 [to 3,] or 2 wherein said CDK is derived from *Arabidopsis thaliana*.

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